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as subrogee of THE ESTATE OF :

THOMAS R. HIGHLAND : NO.

1 Tower Square

Hartford, CT 06183

Plaintiff,

: JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

v. :

HP INC.

1501 Page Mill Rd. Palo Alto, CA 94304

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and :

PENTELEDATA : 540 Delaware Ave : Palmerton, Pa. 18071 : :

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Defendants

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COMPLAINT

Plaintiff, Farmington Casualty Company a/s/o The Estate of Thomas R. Highland, by and through its attorneys, William J. Ferren & Associates, hereby file its Complaint against Defendants, HP Inc. and PenTeleData, and in support thereof, aver as follows:

PARTIES

1. Plaintiff, Farmington Casualty Company a/s/o The Estate of Thomas R. Highland (hereinafter "Plaintiff"), is a Connecticut corporation with a primary business address of One Tower Square, Hartford, Connecticut 06183-3004.

- 2. Plaintiff insured the residential home owned by its subrogor, Thomas R. Highland and Lynn S. Highland (hereinafter "Highland"), located at 405 Center Ave, Jim Thorpe, Pa. 18229 (the "subject property"), in Carbon County, which sustained significant damages as a result of the incident set forth below.
 - 3. At all times relevant, Plaintiff had an insurance policy with Highland.
- 4. At all times relevant, Plaintiff made certain payments under the terms of the insurance policy to Highland, which was in full force and effect at the time of the accident.
- 5. Plaintiff became subrogated to the rights of Highland because of the aforementioned payments, the insurance policy and Pennsylvania law.
- 6. As a result of the fire more fully described below, Lynn S. Highland suffered life ending injuries and she died on May 30, 2021.
- 7. Lynne S. Highland was survived by her husband, Thomas R. Highland, and daughter, Jordan E. McCoy.
- 8. As a result of the fire more fully described below, Thomas R. Highland suffered life ending injuries and he died on March 25, 2022.
 - 9. Thomas R. Highland was survived by his daughter, Jordan E. McCoy.
- 10. On April 19, 2022, Jordan E. McCoy became the executrix of the Estate of Thomas R. Highland.
- 11. HP Inc., (hereinafter "HP" or "Defendants") is a Delaware corporation with a principal place of business located at 1501 Page Mill Rd., Palo Alto, CA 94304 and regularly conducts business in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and Philadelphia County. HP regularly conducts significant business in, and has sufficient minimum contacts with, or otherwise intentionally avails itself of the markets of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and specifically Philadelphia County through its business operations and sale of its products/services in Philadelphia

County, to include: regularly conducting business in Philadelphia through its sale of products and provision of services in Philadelphia County from which it generated significant dollars of business income.

- 12. At all times relevant hereto, HP was in the business of designing, manufacturing, assembling, selling, servicing, distributing and/or marketing laptop computers, including the one owned by Highland (hereinafter "subject computer") at issue in this case.
- 13. PenTeleData (hereinafter "PTD" or "Defendants") is a Pennsylvania corporation and/or limited liability company and/or partnership with a principal place of business located at 540 Delaware Ave, Palmerton, Pa. 18071 and regularly conducts business in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and Philadelphia County. PTD regularly conducts significant business in, and has sufficient minimum contacts with, or otherwise intentionally avails itself of the markets of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and specifically Philadelphia County through its business operations and sale of its products/services in Philadelphia County, to include: regularly conducting business in Philadelphia County for decades through its sale of products and provision of services in Philadelphia County from which it generated millions of dollars of business income.
- 14. At all times relevant hereto, PTD was in the business of selling, distributing and/or marketing laptop computers, including the subject computer at issue in this case.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 15. This Court has jurisdiction over the Defendants because Defendants either have a principal place of business in Pennsylvania, are incorporated in Pennsylvania, or are registered to do business in Pennsylvania, have consented to jurisdiction in Pennsylvania and/or do sufficient business in, or have sufficient minimum contacts with, or otherwise intentionally avail itself of the markets of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania through its business operations in Pennsylvania.
 - 16. Venue is properly laid in Philadelphia County pursuant to Pennsylvania Rules

of Civil Procedure 1006 and 2179, including because Defendants regularly conduct business in Philadelphia and/or may be served there.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

- 17. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the preceding averments as though set forth at length herein.
- 18. Prior to May 30, 2021, Defendants designed, manufactured, assembled, tested, inspected, marketed, distributed, and placed into the stream of commerce the subject computer, and its component parts, said product being intended for use by consumers for the ordinary purpose associated with such computer.
- 19. Prior to May 30, 2021, Plaintiff purchased the subject computer from Defendants for use at the subject property.
- 20. Prior to May 30, 2021, Plaintiff operated and used the subject computer in a foreseeable, normal, ordinary, and intended manner.
- 21. Prior to May 30, 2021, Plaintiff never experienced any problems with the functionality of the subject computer.
- 22. On May 30, 2021, the subject computer malfunctioned and/or failed causing fire damage at the subject property.
- 23. The failure of the subject computer caused extensive damages to Plaintiff's subrogor, as well as the imposition of additional expenses and hardship.
- 24. At all times relevant hereto, the subject computer was not modified, changed, altered, misused or abused by Plaintiff, or any other users, after it was placed into the stream of commerce by the Defendants.
 - 25. At all times material hereto, the Defendants knew, and intended, that members

of the public would use their product, and they furthermore knew of the specific uses, purposes and requirements for which the subject computer would be utilized.

- 26. The Defendants designed, manufactured, assembled, tested, inspected, marketed, distributed and placed into the stream of commerce the subject computer in a dangerous and defective condition.
- 27. As a direct and proximate result of the aforementioned defects, Plaintiff's subrogor sustained the damages described herein.
- At all times relevant, Farmington Casualty Company (hereinafter "Travelers"), had an insurance policy with the Highland. Travelers made certain payments under the terms of the policy, which was in full force and effect at the time of the incident. Because of said payments, Travelers became subrogated to the rights of its subrogor. Thus, Travelers' claimed damages are fixed in the amount of what it paid to its subrogor, which are in excess of \$50,000.00.
- 29. The aforementioned subject computer malfunction and failure was directly and proximately caused by the Defendants as more fully described below.

COUNT I – STRICT LIABILITY - HP

- 30. Plaintiff incorporates herein by reference the above paragraphs as though same were fully set forth at length.
- 31. HP is engaged in the business of designing, manufacturing, testing, inspecting, assembling, selling and distributing laptop computers, as well as their component parts, and furthermore specifically designed, manufactured, tested, inspected, assembled, sold, distributed and placed into the stream of commerce the subject computer at issue in this case.
- 32. The subject computer was not modified, changed, altered, misused, or abused after HP placed the product into the stream of commerce.

- 33. HP knew, and intended, that the subject computer would be used by members of the general public, and furthermore knew of the specific uses, purposes and requirements for which said product would be utilized.
- 34. HP designed, tested, inspected, manufactured, sold and/or distributed into the stream of commerce the subject computer, including its component parts, in a dangerous and defective condition, which ultimately led to a catastrophic failure and/or malfunction.
- 35. HP designed, manufactured, tested, inspected, sold and/or distributed the subject computer in a defective condition, unreasonably dangerous to Plaintiff, as well as other consumers.
- 36. HP knew, or should have known, that the computer would, and did, reach Plaintiff without substantial change in the condition in which it was originally selected and sold.
- 37. The subject computer was not altered in any manner that caused or contributed to the fire after the product originally left the possession of HP.
- 38. Plaintiff operated the computer in a foreseeable, normal, ordinary and intended manner at all relevant times.
- 39. The malfunction and failure, and resulting damages, were caused by the acts and/or omissions of HP, by and through its agents, servants, employees and/or representatives, acting within the course and scope of their employment and/or authority, for which HP is liable for the following reasons:
 - a. failing to design, manufacture, inspect, assemble, market and/or distribute a properly functioning and defect-free computer, which after reasonable and foreseeable use malfunctioned and/or catastrophically failed;
 - b. failing to properly design, manufacture, inspect, assemble, market and/or distribute the electrical components of the subject computer;
 - c. failing to properly determine that the computer, including its component parts, were not in a safe condition, and free of all material defects;

- d. designing, manufacturing, inspecting, assembling, marketing and/or distributing the subject computer when it knew, or should have known, that the product was unsafe and unfit for its intended use;
- e. designing, manufacturing, inspecting, assembling, marketing and/or distributing the subject computer when it knew, or should have known, that the product would be inadequate for the reasons for which it was purchased;
- f. designing, manufacturing, inspecting, assembling, marketing and/or distributing a computer which had unreasonably dangerous electrical components that caused the product to catastrophically fail and/or malfunction;
- g. designing, manufacturing, inspecting, assembling, marketing and/or distributing a dangerously defective computer that it knew, or reasonably should have known, exposed users to an unreasonable risk of harm;
- h. failing to properly and adequately design, manufacture, inspect, assemble, test, market, sell, and/or distribute the subject computer, including its electrical components, prior to introducing the product into the stream of commerce;
- i. failing to provide adequate and sufficient warnings and instructions with respect to the product, which rendered it defective and unreasonably dangerous;
- j. designing, manufacturing, inspecting, assembling, marketing, and/or distributing the subject computer in a defective condition which rendered the product hazardous and dangerous for its contemplated and intended use;
- k. designing, manufacturing and distributing a dangerously defective computer, including its component parts, that it knew, or reasonably should have known, exposed users to an unreasonable risk of fire;
- 1. the subject computer was dangerous to an extent beyond that which would be contemplated by the ordinary consumer who purchases it, with the ordinary knowledge common to the community of its characteristics;
- m. the probability of injury times the gravity of injury under the current design of the subject computer is more than the cost of an alternative reasonable design plus the diminished utility resulting from modifying the design;
- n. common experience teaches that the failure and malfunction would not have occurred in the subject computer in the absence of a defect;
- o. failing to properly and adequately design, manufacture, inspect, assemble, test, market, sell, and/or distribute the subject computer, including its electrical components and batteries, prior to introducing the product into the stream of commerce; and
- p. the foreseeable risks associated with the design of the subject computer exceed all benefits.
- 40. The aforementioned defects, or defective conditions, existed at the time that

HP placed the subject computer into the stream of commerce.

- 41. The defective, unreasonably dangerous and unsafe condition of the subject computer were a direct and proximate cause of the damages and business interruption sustained by Plaintiff.
- 42. For these reasons, HP is strictly liable to Plaintiff under Section 402A of the Restatement (2d) of Torts and the applicable law of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- 43. As a direct and proximate result of the aforementioned defects, Plaintiff's subrogor sustained damages to their real and personal property and additional expenses.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, Farmington Casualty Company a/s/o The Estate of Thomas R. Highland, demands judgment in their favor and against Defendants, HP Inc. and PenTeleData, in an amount in excess of \$50,000.00, plus interest, costs of suit, delay damages, and such other relief as the Court deems appropriate under the circumstances.

COUNT II – NEGLIGENCE - HP

- 44. Plaintiff incorporates herein by reference the above paragraphs as though same were fully set forth at length.
- 45. The aforementioned damages were the direct and proximate result of the negligence and carelessness of HP by and through its employees, agents, technicians, vendors, subcontractors, and/or servants as is more specifically described below:
 - a. failing to manufacture, assemble, sell, design, transport, distribute and/or market a properly functioning product;
 - b. failing to properly inspect and/or test the product and/or its component parts;
 - c. failing to properly determine that the product and/or its component parts were not in compliance with applicable standards;
 - d. failing to provide safe and adequate warnings or instructions with the product;
 - e. designing, manufacturing, marketing, distributing and/or selling the product when it knew or should have known that the product and/or its component parts would be inadequate for the reasons for which it was purchased;
 - f. failing to adequately instruct, supervise and/or train servants, employees and agents as to the proper ways to perform the tasks set forth in subparagraph (a)-

(e);

- g. failing to adequately warn Plaintiff and others of the dangers and hazardous conditions resulting from the conduct set forth in subparagraph (a)-(e) above;
- h. failing to provide, establish, and/or follow proper and adequate controls so as to ensure the proper performance of the tasks set forth in subparagraph (a)-(e) above;
- i. failing to properly monitor the work of all agents and/or employees during the performance of the tasks set forth in subparagraph (a)-(e) above to ensure compliance with applicable safety procedures;
- j. failing to retain competent, qualified and/or able agents, employees or servants to perform the tasks set forth in subparagraph (a)-(e) above;
- k. failing to perform the tasks set forth in subparagraph (a)-(e) above in conformity with the prevailing industry and governmental specifications and standards; and/or
- 1. violating the standards of care prescribed by statutes, rules, regulations, ordinances, codes, and/or industry customs applicable to this action.
- 46. As a direct and proximate result of the aforementioned defects, Plaintiff's subrogor sustained damages, business interruption and additional expenses.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, Farmington Casualty Company a/s/o The Estate of Thomas R. Highland, demands judgment in their favor and against Defendants, HP Inc. and PenTeleData, in an amount in excess of \$50,000.00, plus interest, costs of suit, delay damages, and such other relief as the Court deems appropriate under the circumstances.

COUNT III - BREACH of WARRANTIES - HP

- 47. Plaintiff incorporates herein by reference the above paragraphs as though same were fully set forth at length.
- 48. At the time of the sale and/or distribution of the product, HP had reason to know the particular purpose to which the subject computer would be used (i.e. residential home use) and that it was being relied upon to furnish a suitable product.
 - 49. In light of the negligence, breaches, failures and harms alleged herein, HP

breached the implied warranty of fitness for a particular purpose as set out in the Uniform Commercial Code (hereinafter "UCC") at 13 Pa. C.S.A. § 2-315 in that the product was not fit for the particular purpose for which such products are required under normal operation.

- 50. In addition, HP breached its implied warranty of merchantability as set out in 13 Pa. C.S.A. § 2-314 (c) in that the product was not fit for the ordinary uses for which the product was used.
- 51. In addition, HP breached any and all express warranties made or relating to the product that became part of the basis of the bargain for sale of the product in violation of 13 Pa. C.S.A. § 2-313.
- 52. HP has better access to all written forms of said warranties and therefore is not prejudiced by Plaintiff's inability to attach them hereto.
- 53. Plaintiff's damages as set forth above occurred as a direct and proximate result of the breach by HP of its implied warranties of fitness for a particular purpose and merchantability as set out in 13 Pa. C.S.A. § 2-315 and § 2-314, and as a result of the breach of its expressed warrantees in violation of 13 Pa. C.S.A. § 2-313.
- 54. Plaintiff has met any and all conditions precedent to recovery for such breaches.
- 55. As a direct and proximate result of the aforementioned defects, Plaintiff's subrogor sustained damages to their real and personal property and additional expenses.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, Farmington Casualty Company a/s/o The Estate of Thomas R. Highland, demands judgment in their favor and against Defendants, HP Inc. and PenTeleData, in an amount in excess of \$50,000.00, plus interest, costs of suit, delay damages, and such other relief as the Court deems appropriate under the circumstances.

<u>COUNT IV – STRICT LIABILITY - PTD</u>

- 56. Plaintiff incorporates herein by reference the above paragraphs as though same were fully set forth at length.
- 57. PTD is engaged in the business of marketing, selling and distributing computers, as well as their component parts, and PTD furthermore specifically marketed, sold, distributed and placed into the stream of commerce the subject computer at issue in this case.
- 58. The subject computer was not modified, changed, altered, misused, or abused after PTD placed the product into the stream of commerce.
- 59. PTD knew, and intended, that the subject computer would be used by members of the general public, and furthermore knew of the specific uses, purposes and requirements for which said product would be utilized.
- 60. PTD marketed, sold and/or distributed into the stream of commerce the subject computer, including its component parts, in a dangerous and defective condition, which ultimately led to a catastrophic failure and/or malfunction.
- 61. PTD marketed, sold and/or distributed the subject computer in a defective condition, unreasonably dangerous to Plaintiff, as well as other consumers.
- 62. PTD knew, or should have known, that the computer would, and did, reach Plaintiff without substantial change in the condition in which it was originally selected and sold.
- 63. The subject computer was not altered in any manner that caused or contributed to the malfunction and failure after the product originally left the possession of PTD.
- 64. Plaintiff operated the computer in a foreseeable, normal, ordinary and intended manner at all relevant times.
 - 65. The malfunction and failure, and resulting damages, were caused by the acts

and/or omissions of PTD, by and through its agents, servants, employees and/or representatives, acting within the course and scope of their employment and/or authority, for which PTD is liable for the following reasons:

- a. failing to design, manufacture, inspect, assemble, market and/or distribute a properly functioning and defect-free computer, which after reasonable and foreseeable use malfunctioned and/or catastrophically failed;
- b. failing to properly design, manufacture, inspect, assemble, market and/or distribute the electrical components of the subject computer;
- c. failing to properly determine that the computer, including its component parts, were not in a safe condition, and free of all material defects;
- d. designing, manufacturing, inspecting, assembling, marketing and/or distributing the subject computer when it knew, or should have known, that the product was unsafe and unfit for its intended use;
- e. designing, manufacturing, inspecting, assembling, marketing and/or distributing the subject computer when it knew, or should have known, that the product would be inadequate for the reasons for which it was purchased;
- f. designing, manufacturing, inspecting, assembling, marketing and/or distributing a computer which had unreasonably dangerous electrical components that caused the product to catastrophically fail and/or malfunction;
- g. designing, manufacturing, inspecting, assembling, marketing and/or distributing a dangerously defective computer that it knew, or reasonably should have known, exposed users to an unreasonable risk of harm;
- h. failing to properly and adequately design, manufacture, inspect, assemble, test, market, sell, and/or distribute the subject computer, including its electrical components, prior to introducing the product into the stream of commerce;
- i. failing to provide adequate and sufficient warnings and instructions with respect to the product, which rendered it defective and unreasonably dangerous;
- j. designing, manufacturing, inspecting, assembling, marketing, and/or distributing the subject computer in a defective condition which rendered the product hazardous and dangerous for its contemplated and intended use;
- k. designing, manufacturing and distributing a dangerously defective computer, including its component parts, that it knew, or reasonably should have known, exposed users to an unreasonable risk of failure and/or malfunction;
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- p. the foreseeable risks associated with the design of the subject computer exceed all benefits.
- 66. The aforementioned defects, or defective conditions, existed at the time that PTD placed the subject computer into the stream of commerce.
- 67. The defective, unreasonably dangerous and unsafe condition of the subject computer were a direct and proximate cause of the damages sustained by Plaintiff.
- 68. For these reasons, PTD is strictly liable to Plaintiff under Section 402A of the Restatement (2d) of Torts and the applicable law of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- 69. As a direct and proximate result of the aforementioned defects, Plaintiff's subrogor sustained damages, business interruption and additional expenses.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, Farmington Casualty Company a/s/o The Estate of Thomas R. Highland, demands judgment in their favor and against Defendants, HP Inc. and PenTeleData, in an amount in excess of \$50,000.00, plus interest, costs of suit, delay damages, and such other relief as the Court deems appropriate under the circumstances.

COUNT V – NEGLIGENCE - PTD

- 70. Plaintiff incorporates herein by reference the above paragraphs as though same were fully set forth at length.
- 71. The aforementioned damages were the direct and proximate result of the negligence and carelessness of PTD by and through its employees, agents, technicians, vendors, subcontractors, and/or servants as is more specifically described below:

- a. failing to manufacture, assemble, sell, design, transport, distribute and/or market a properly functioning product;
- b. failing to properly inspect and/or test the product and/or its component parts;
- c. failing to properly determine that the product and/or its component parts were not in compliance with applicable standards;
- d. failing to provide safe and adequate warnings or instructions with the product;
- e. designing, manufacturing, marketing, distributing and/or selling the product when PTD knew or should have known that the product and/or its component parts would be inadequate for the reasons for which it was purchased;
- f. failing to adequately instruct, supervise and/or train servants, employees and agents as to the proper ways to perform the tasks set forth in subparagraph (a)-(e);
- g. failing to adequately warn Plaintiff and others of the dangers and hazardous conditions resulting from the conduct set forth in subparagraph (a)-(e) above;
- h. failing to provide, establish, and/or follow proper and adequate controls so as to ensure the proper performance of the tasks set forth in subparagraph (a)-(e) above;
- i. failing to properly monitor the work of all agents and/or employees during the performance of the tasks set forth in subparagraph (a)-(e) above to ensure compliance with applicable safety procedures;
- j. failing to retain competent, qualified and/or able agents, employees or servants to perform the tasks set forth in subparagraph (a)-(e) above;
- k. failing to perform the tasks set forth in subparagraph (a)-(e) above in conformity with the prevailing industry and governmental specifications and standards; and/or
- 1. violating the standards of care prescribed by statutes, rules, regulations, ordinances, codes, and/or industry customs applicable to this action.
- 72. As a direct and proximate result of the aforementioned defects, Plaintiff's subrogor sustained damages, business interruption and additional expenses.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, Farmington Casualty Company a/s/o The Estate of Thomas R. Highland, demands judgment in their favor and against Defendants, HP Inc. and PenTeleData, in an amount in excess of \$50,000.00, plus interest, costs of suit, delay damages, and such other relief as the Court deems appropriate under the circumstances.

COUNT VI - BREACH of WARRANTIES - PTD

- 73. Plaintiff incorporates herein by reference the above paragraphs as though same were fully set forth at length.
- 74. At the time of the sale and/or distribution of the product, PTD had reason to know the particular purpose to which the subject computer would be used (i.e. residential home use) and that it was being relied upon to furnish a suitable product.
- 75. In light of the negligence, breaches, failures and harms alleged herein, PTD breached the implied warranty of fitness for a particular purpose as set out in the Uniform Commercial Code (hereinafter "UCC") at 13 Pa. C.S.A. § 2-315 in that the product was not fit for the particular purpose for which such products are required under normal operation.
- 76. In addition, PTD breached its implied warranty of merchantability as set out in 13 Pa. C.S.A. § 2-314 (c) in that the product was not fit for the ordinary uses for which the product was used.
- 77. In addition, PTD breached any and all express warranties made or relating to the product that became part of the basis of the bargain for sale of the product in violation of 13 Pa. C.S.A. § 2-313.
- 78. PTD has better access to all written forms of said warranties and therefore is not prejudiced by Plaintiff's inability to attach them hereto.
- 79. Plaintiff's damages as set forth above occurred as a direct and proximate result of the breach by PTD of its implied warranties of fitness for a particular purpose and merchantability as set out in 13 Pa. C.S.A. § 2-315 and § 2-314, and as a result of the breach of its expressed warrantees in violation of 13 Pa. C.S.A. § 2-313.
 - 80. Plaintiff has met any and all conditions precedent to recovery for such

breaches.

81. As a direct and proximate result of the aforementioned defects, Plaintiff's

subrogor sustained damages, business interruption and additional expenses.

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a/s/o The Estate of Thomas R. Highland

Date: March 6, 2023

VERIFICATION

I, Maurice L. BrownIPH3598

, under the penalties of perjury, state that I am a representative of Farmington Casualty Company a/s/o The Estate of Thomas R. Highland ("Travelers"); that I am authorized to make this verification on behalf of Travelers, that I have read the Complaint; that I do not have, and am informed that no single officer or agent of Travelers has personal knowledge of all matters set forth in the Complaint; that the Complaint was prepared by counsel from information provided by myself and certain employees from Travelers who were designated to assemble such material and are based on their personal knowledge or that of other persons who were consulted and on examination of records maintained by Travelers during the regular course of business; and that upon information and belief the Complaint is true and correct to the best of my knowledge after due inquiry.

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EXHIBIT B

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF PHILADELPHIA COUNTY tested by the FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIAE of Judicial Records CIVIL TRIAL DIVISION 25 MAY 2023 10:37 am

JORDAN E. McCOY, individually and as the ADMINISTRATRIX OF THE ESTATE OF LYNN SMITH-HIGHLAND, deceased, and the EXECUTRIX OF THE ESTATE OF THOMAS R. HIGHLAND, deceased.

953 Daughertys Run Road Williamsport, PA 17701

Plaintiff,

v.

HP, INC., formerly known as, Hewlett-Packard Company, 1501 Page Mill Road Palo Alto, CA 94304

and

AGILENT HP, INC., 1501 Page Mill Road Palo Alto, CA 94304

and

PENTELEDATA LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

610 3rd Street Palmerton, PA 18071

and

PENTELEDATA, INC.

540 Delaware Avenue Palmerton, PA 18071

Defendants.

MAY TERM 2023

CASE NO.:

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

NOTICE TO DEFEND

You have been sued in Court. If you wish to defend against the claims set forth in the following pages, you must take action within twenty (20) days after this Complaint and notice are served, by entering a written appearance personally or by attorney and filing in writing with the

Court your defenses or objections to the claims set forth against you. You are warned that if you fail to do so, the case may proceed without you and a judgment may be entered against you by the Court without further notice for any money claimed in the Complaint or for any other claim or relief requested by the Plaintiff. You may lose money or property or other rights important to you.

YOU SHOULD TAKE THIS PAPER TO YOUR LAWYER AT ONCE. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A LAWYER OR CANNOT AFFORD ONE, GO TO OR TELEPHONE THE OFFICE SET FORTH BELOW TO FIND OUT WHERE YOU CAN GET LEGAL HELP.

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Le han demandado a usted en la corte. Si used quiere defenderse de estas demandas expuestas en las paginas siquientes, used tiene veinte (20) dias de plazo al partir de la fecha de la demanda y la notificacion. Hace falta asentar una comparencia escrita o en persona o con un abogado y entregar a la corte en forma escrita sus defensas o sus objectiones a las demandas en contra de su persona. Sea avisado qui si usted no se defiende, la corte tomara medidas y puede continuar la demanda en contra suya sin previo aviso o notificacion. Ademas, la corte puede decidir a favor del demandante y requiere que usted cumpla con todas las provisiones de esta demanda. Usted puede perder.

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COMPLAINT

Plaintiff, Jordan E. McCoy, in her individual capacity and as Administratrix of the Estate of Lynn Smith-Highland and the Executrix of the Estate of Thomas R. Highland,

by and through her undersigned counsel, DE LUCA LEVINE LLC, hereby bring this action against Defendants, HP Inc. (formerly Hewlett-Packard Co.), Agilent HP, Inc., PenTeleData Limited Partnership and PenTeleData, Inc, and in support thereof aver as follows:

PARTIES, JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 1. Plaintiff, Jordan E. McCoy, is an adult person and resident of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania residing at 953 Daughertys Run Road, Williamsport, Pennsylvania 17701.
- 2. Plaintiff, Jordan E. McCoy, is the daughter of adult decedents, Lynn Smith-Highland and Thomas R. Highland.
- 3. Lynn Smith-Highland, deceased, died intestate on May 30, 2021. At the time of her death, Lynn Smith-Highland, deceased, born January 31, 1958, was sixty three (63) years of age, married to Thomas R. Highland, decedent, and resided at 405 Center Avenue, Jim Thorpe, Pennsylvania 18229.
- 4. On or about May 2, 2023, Plaintiff, Jordan E. McCoy was granted Letters Testamentary on the estate of Decedent, Lynn Smith-Highland, by the Register of Wills, Carbon County, Pennsylvania.
- 5. Thomas R. Highland, deceased, died on March 25, 2022. At the time of his death, Decedent, Thomas R. Highland, born May 14, 1960, was sixty-one (61) years of age, married to Lynn Smith-Highland, Decedent, and resided at 405 Center Avenue, Jim Thorpe, Pennsylvania 18229.

- 6. On or about April 19, 2022, Plaintiff Jordan E. McCoy was granted Letters Testamentary on the estate of Decedent, Thomas R. Highland, by the Register of Wills, Carbon County, Pennsylvania.
- 7. Decedents are survived by their adult child, Plaintiff, Jordan E. McCoy; the aforesaid individual is the sole beneficiary of the estates.
- 8. Plaintiff, Jordan E. McCoy, files these Wrongful Death and Survival Actions individually, and in her capacity as the Administratrix of Estate of Lynn Smith-Highland and the Executrix of Thomas R. Highland, deceased adults.
- 9. All persons who are entitled by law to recover damages based upon the death of the Decedents are represented in this action.
- 10. At all times material hereto, Defendant HP, Inc. (formerly known as Hewlett-Packard Company) (hereinafter "HP") was, upon belief and information, a Delaware corporation with its primary place of business at the above-captioned address, that was authorized to do business within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- 11. Upon information and belief, HP is in the business of, *inter alia*, designing, manufacturing, assembling, testing, inspecting, marketing, branding, distributing, selling and placing into the stream of commerce personal computers, laptops, printers and other electronic equipment in and through Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania. Upon information and belief, HP regularly conducts significant business in, and has sufficient minimum contacts with, or otherwise intentionally avails itself of the markets of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and specifically Philadelphia County through its business operations and sale of its products and services in Philadelphia

County, to include: regularly conducting business in Philadelphia through its sale of products and services in from which it generates significant business income.

- 12. At all times material hereto, Defendant Agilent HP, Inc. (hereinafter "Agilent HP") was, upon belief and information, a Delaware corporation with its primary place of business at the above-captioned address, that was authorized to do business within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- 13. Upon information and belief, Agilent HP is in the business of, *inter alia*, designing, manufacturing, assembling, testing, inspecting, marketing, branding, distributing, selling and placing into the stream of commerce personal computers, laptops, printers and other electronic equipment in and through Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania. Upon information and belief, Agilent HP regularly conducts significant business in, and has sufficient minimum contacts with, or otherwise intentionally avails itself of the markets of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and specifically Philadelphia County through its business operations and sale of its products and services in Philadelphia County, to include: regularly conducting business in Philadelphia through its sale of products and services in from which it generates significant business income.
- 14. At all times material hereto, PenTeleData Limited Partnership ("PenTeleData LP") was, upon belief and information, a Pennsylvania corporation with its primary place of business at the above-captioned address that was authorized to do business within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- 15. Upon information and belief, PenTeleData is in the business of, *inter alia*, designing, manufacturing, assembling, testing, importing, selling, distributing, marketing, delivering and placing into the stream of commerce laptops and printers in and through

Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania. Upon information and belief, PenTeleData LP regularly conducts significant business in, and has sufficient minimum contacts with, or otherwise intentionally avails itself of the markets of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and specifically Philadelphia County through its business operations and sale of its products and services in Philadelphia County, to include: regularly conducting business in Philadelphia through its sale of products and services in from which it generates significant business income.

- 16. At all times material hereto, PenTeleData, Inc. was, upon belief and information, a Pennsylvania corporation with its primary place of business at the above-captioned address that was authorized to do business within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- 17. Upon information and belief, PenTeleData, Inc. is in the business of, *inter alia*, designing, manufacturing, assembling, testing, importing, selling, distributing, marketing, delivering and placing into the stream of commerce laptops and printers in and through Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania. Upon information and belief, PenTeleData, Inc. regularly conducts significant business in, and has sufficient minimum contacts with, or otherwise intentionally avails itself of the markets of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and specifically Philadelphia County through its business operations and sale of its products and services in Philadelphia County, to include: regularly conducting business in Philadelphia through its sale of products and services in from which it generates significant business income.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

- 18. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the preceding averments as though set forth at length herein.
- 19. HP and/or Agilent HP designed, manufactured, assembled, tested, inspected, marketed, branded, distributed, sold and placed into the stream of commerce personal computers, laptops, rechargeable lithium ion batteries and chargers including the laptop computer and its component parts that are at issue in this case being intended for use by consumers for the ordinary purpose associated with personal computing.
- 20. PenTeleData LP or PenTeleData, Inc. designed, manufactured, assembled, tested, imported, sold, distributed, marketed, delivered and placed into the stream of commerce laptops and their component parts, including the laptop computer and its component parts that are at issue in this case.
- 21. Prior to May 30, 2021, Lynn Smith-Highland and Thomas R. Highland, purchased the laptop computer at issue in this case from PenTeleData LP or PenTeleData, Inc. at 528 Delaware Avenue, Palmerton, PA 18071.
- 22. At all times material hereto, Lynn Smith-Highland and Thomas R. Highland used the subject laptop in an ordinary, reasonable and foreseeable manner.
- 23. At all times material hereto, the subject laptop, which was designed, manufactured, assembled, tested, inspected, marketed, distributed, sold and placed into the stream of commerce by Defendants, was not modified, changed altered or abused post-sale.
- 24. At all times material hereto, Lynn Smith-Highland and Thomas R. Highland stored the subject laptop in the front room of their home while it was not in use.

- 25. On May 30, 2021, the subject laptop suddenly and unexpectedly burst into flames and quickly spread fire to nearby combustibles, causing the home to be engulfed with flames and smoke.
- 26. Lynn Smith-Highland was asleep in the dwelling's spare bedroom on the second floor when the fire began.
- 27. Lynn Smith-Highland became trapped on the second floor. She was eventually rescued by the Jim Thorpe Municipal Fire Department and transported to St. Luke's Hospital, where she was pronounced dead as a result of smoke inhalation and/or the effects of fire.
- 28. Thomas R. Highland was asleep in the dwelling's second floor master bedroom when the fire began.
- 29. Thomas R. Highland first became aware that something was wrong when he woke up in his bed choking and gasping for air. Disoriented, Mr. Highland walked downstairs to investigate the source of the smoke. He discovered flame and heat coming from the dwelling's living room. Mr. Highland initially exited the property, but quickly reentered in search of his wife. Eventually, the smoke and heat were too much to bear and he was forced to exit the dwelling a final time.
- 30. Thomas R. Highland suffered significant and severe burns as a result of the fire and smoke inhalation. Emergency responders transported Mr. Highland to Lehigh Valley Hospital-Cedar Crest, where, among other treatment, he was placed into a medically induced coma for a period of time. Mr. Highland endured months of treatment, surgeries and rehabilitation, which caused him undue pain and suffering.

31. On March 25, 2022, Thomas R. Highland, was pronounced dead due to complications from smoke inhalation injuries and/or effects of the fire.

32. The Highlands' real and personal property were also destroyed in the fire.

33. At all times material hereto, Defendants knew and intended that the subject laptop would be used by members of the general public, and knew of the specific uses, purposes and requirements for which said product would be utilized.

34. Defendants designed, manufactured, assembled, tested, inspected, marketed, distributed, sold and placed into the stream of commerce the subject laptop, including its component parts, in a defective condition.

35. Due to the unreasonably dangerous and defective condition of the subject laptop, as described throughout this Complaint, Lynn Smith-Highland and Thomas R. Highland were caused to suffer severe personal injuries, indignities, humiliation and death.

36. As set forth more fully below, Defendants engaged in careless and negligent conduct, which caused, increased the risk of harm, and/or was a substantial contributing causal factor that resulted in Plaintiff, Jordan E. McCoy's damages, which include Lynn Smith-Highland's and Thomas R. Highland's deaths, damages, and, but are not limited to, the following:

- a) Death;
- b) Smoke Inhalation;
- c) Burns;
- d) Cardiac arrest;
- e) Bleeding;

- f) Hypoxia;
- g) Disfigurement;
- h) Pain and suffering;
- i) Loss of life's pleasures;
- j) Mental anguish;
- k) Embarrassment;
- 1) Lost wages;
- m) Loss of earning capacity;
- n) Funeral expenses;
- o) Medical expenses;
- p) Property damage;
- q) All damages allowable under the Survival Act, 42 Pa. C.S.A. §8302, the applicable Rules of Civil Procedure and the decisional law interpreting the Survival Act, including the total estimated future earning power less the cost of personal maintenance, and/or pain and suffering endured by Lynn Smith-Highland and Thomas R. Highland prior to their deaths, including but not limited to, physical pain and suffering, mental pain and suffering, mental suffering, loss of life's pleasures, disfigurement and humiliation; and
- r) All damages allowable under the Wrongful Death Act, 42 Pa. C.S.A. § 8301,the applicable Rules of Civil Procedure and all decisional law interpreting the Wrongful Death Act, including damages for medical, funeral, and burial expenses, expenses of administration, monetary support

Lynn Smith-Highland and Thomas R. Highland would have provided during their lifetime, the value of services provided or which could have been expected to have been performed in the future by support Lynn Smith-Highland and Thomas R. Highland, and all pecuniary losses suffered as a result of their deaths.

COUNT I – STRICT LIABILITY Plaintiff v. Defendants

- 37. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the preceding averments as though set forth at length herein.
- 38. At all times material hereto, Defendants designed, manufactured, assembled, tested, inspected, marketed, branded, distributed, sold and placed into the stream of commerce laptops, incorporated with rechargeable batteries, chargers and other component parts, and specifically designed, manufactured, assembled, tested, inspected, marketed, branded, distributed, sold and placed into the stream of commerce the laptop at issue in this case.
- 39. The subject laptop, which was sold in a defective condition, was used in a foreseeable, normal, ordinary and intended manner at all relevant times and was not modified, changed, altered or abused post-sale.
- 40. The subject laptop was in the same, or substantially similar condition, as when the product left the control of Defendants at the time that it failed catastrophically and burst into flames.
- 41. Defendants knew, or should have known, that the subject laptop would, and did, reach users without substantial change in the condition in which originally selected and sold.

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- 42. Defendant knew and intended that its laptop would be used by members of the general public, and knew of the specific uses, purposes and requirements for which said laptops would be utilized.
- 43. Defendants designed, manufactured, assembled, tested, inspected, marketed, branded, distributed, sold and placed into the stream of commerce the subject laptop in a defective condition, which caused it to catastrophically fail and/or malfunction on the date in question.
- 44. Defendants designed, manufactured, assembled, tested, inspected, marketed, branded, distributed, sold and placed into the stream of commerce the subject laptop in a defective condition, unreasonably dangerous to Lynn Smith-Highland and Thomas R. Highland, and their property.
- 45. At all times material hereto, Defendants knew or should have known of the foreseeable risk of fire related injuries inherent in the design of its laptop.
- 46. The subject laptop did not perform as safely as an ordinary consumer would have expected it to perform when used in a reasonably foreseeable way.
- 47. Further, a reasonable person would conclude that the possibility and seriousness of harm outweighs the burden or cost of making the subject laptop safe.
- 48. The subject laptop contained design, manufacturing and/or warning defects, which caused the harm alleged herein, when it left Defendants' control.
- 49. The subject laptop was defective, subjecting Defendants to strict liability, in one or more of the following respects:
 - a. failing to design, manufacture, inspect, assemble, distribute, test and/or market a properly functioning and defect-free laptop, which after reasonable and foreseeable use malfunctioned and/or catastrophically failed;

- b. failing to properly design, manufacture, inspect, assemble, distribute, test and/or market the subject laptop free from defect;
- c. failing to properly determine that the subject laptop was not in a safe condition and free of all material defects, which after reasonable and foreseeable use catastrophically failed and/or malfunctioned;
- d. designing, manufacturing, assembling, testing, inspecting, marketing, branding, distributing, selling and placing into the stream of commerce the subject laptop when it knew or should have known that it was unsafe and unfit for its intended use:
- e. designing, manufacturing, assembling, testing, inspecting, marketing, branding, distributing, selling and placing into the stream of commerce the subject laptop when it knew or should have known that it would be inadequate for the reasons for which it was purchased;
- f. designing, manufacturing, assembling, testing, inspecting, marketing, branding, distributing, selling and placing into the stream of commerce the subject laptop which was unreasonably dangerous, causing it to catastrophically fail and/or malfunction;
- g. designing, manufacturing, assembling, testing, inspecting, marketing, branding, distributing, selling and placing into the stream of commerce a product which lacked all necessary safety features to protect users of said product;
- h. designing, manufacturing, assembling, testing, inspecting, marketing, branding, distributing, selling and placing into the stream of commerce an unreasonably dangerous and defective laptop that Defendants knew or reasonably should have known exposed users to an unreasonable risk of harm;
- i. failing to properly and adequately design, manufacture, assemble, test, inspect, market, brand, distribute and sell the subject laptop prior to introducing it into the stream of commerce;
- failing to provide adequate and sufficient warnings and instructions with respect to the subject laptop, which rendered it defective and unreasonably dangerous;
- k. designing, manufacturing, assembling, testing, inspecting, marketing, branding, distributing, selling and placing into the stream of commerce the subject laptop in a defective condition

- because it catastrophically failed and/or malfunctioned rendering it hazardous and dangerous for its contemplated and intended use;
- l. designing, manufacturing, assembling, testing, inspecting, marketing, branding, distributing, selling and placing into the stream of commerce the subject laptop in a defective condition because its component parts, including, but not limited to, its lithium ion battery, charger, electrical wiring and/or connections failed or malfunctioned in a catastrophic fire condition;
- m. the subject laptop is an unreasonably dangerous product one that is dangerous to an extent beyond that which would be contemplated by the ordinary consumer who purchases it, with the ordinary knowledge common to the community of its characteristics;
- n. the subject laptop is an unreasonably dangerous because the probability of injury times the gravity of injury under the current product design is more than the cost of an alternative reasonable design plus the diminished utility resulting from modifying the design;
- o. common experience teaches that the fire would not have occurred in the subject laptop in the absence of a defect;
- p. the foreseeable risks associated with the design of the subject laptop exceed all benefits;
- q. the subject laptop was designed, manufactured and sold such that it could ignite under normal and foreseeable operation causing heat and fire to property and person;
- r. the subject laptop was designed, manufactured and sold such that its lithium ion battery was subject to degradation through self-discharge;
- s. the subject laptop was designed, manufactured and sold such that its lithium ion battery was subject to short circuits;
- t. the subject laptop was designed, manufactured and sold such that its lithium ion battery was subject to electrical short or circuit failure at the location of electrical activity;
- u. the subject laptop was designed, manufactured and sold such that its lithium ion battery was subject to thermal runaway;
- v. the subject laptop was designed, manufactured and sold such that it could not recognize the weak battery and trigger a shut down of the computer before thermal runaway could occur.

- w. failing to adequately inform and warn purchasers and ultimate users of the laptop's high propensity for instability to produce heat, ignite, explode and/or cause fires;
- x. designing, manufacturing, assembling, testing, inspecting, marketing, branding, distributing, selling and placing into the stream of commerce the subject laptop with dangerous design defects in its lithium ion battery, electrical circuitry, wiring, plug and/or other components of the laptop; and
- y. malfunction of the lithium ion battery, electrical wiring, circuitry, plug and/or other components of the laptop.
- 50. The defectiveness and unreasonably dangerous conditions of the subject laptop were direct and proximate causes of Plaintiff, Jordan E. McCoy's and Plaintiff Decedents, Lynn Smith-Highland's and Thomas R. Highland's, severe and permanent injuries and damages, as previously set forth herein.
- 51. Defendants are strictly liable to Plaintiff for designing, manufacturing and failing to warn of the dangers of a defective and unreasonably dangerous laptop. The inherent risks associated with the subject laptop outweighed the benefits of its use, as a safer alternative design was economically and technologically feasible at the time the product left the control of Defendants.
- 52. Alternatively, the subject laptop "malfunctioned" as that term is used in *Ducko v. Chrysler Motors Co.*, 639 A.2d 1204 (Pa. Super 1994) (*citing Rogers v. Johnson & Johnson Products, Inc.*, 565 A.2d 751, 754 (Pa. 1989)).

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment in her favor and against Defendants, HP Inc. (formerly Hewlett-Packard Co.), Agilent HP, Inc., PenTeleData Limited Partnership and PenTeleData, Inc., jointly and severally, for compensatory damages in a sum in excess of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00), exclusive of punitive damages, pre-

judgment interest, post-judgment interest and costs, and for such other relief as this Honorable Court shall deem appropriate under the circumstances.

COUNT II – NEGLIGENCE Plaintiff v. Defendants

- 53. Plaintiff incorporate by reference the preceding averments as though set forth at length herein.
- 54. At all times material hereto, Defendants owed a duty to consumers, like Plaintiff and Decedents, to use reasonable care in the way it designed, manufactured, assembled, tested, marketed, branded, distributed and sold laptops, including the subject laptop.
- 55. At all times material hereto, Defendants knew or should have known of the foreseeable risk of fire injuries inherent in its laptops, including the subject laptop.
- 56. Defendants breached the duty of care it assumed to consumers and were negligent, and careless in designing, manufacturing, assembling, testing, inspecting, marketing, branding, distributing, selling and placing into the stream of commerce the subject laptop in one or more of the following respects:
 - a. carelessly and negligently failing to design, manufacture, test, inspect, assemble, market, sell, distribute and/or place into the stream of commerce a properly functioning and defect-free laptop, which after reasonable and foreseeable use malfunctioned and/or catastrophically failed;
 - b. carelessly and negligently failing to properly design, manufacture, test, inspect, assemble, market, sell, distribute place into the stream of commerce the subject laptop free from defects, capable of functioning in a safe and appropriate manner;
 - c. carelessly and negligently failing to properly determine that the laptop was not in a safe condition, and free of all material defects, capable of functioning in a safe and appropriate manner;

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- d. carelessly and negligently designing, manufacturing, testing, inspecting, assembling, marketing, selling, distributing and/or placing into the stream of commerce the subject laptop when Defendants knew, or should have known, that the product was unsafe and unfit for its intended use;
- e. carelessly and negligently designing, manufacturing, testing, inspecting, assembling, marketing, selling, distributing and/or placing into the stream of commerce the subject laptop when Defendants knew, or should have known, that the product would be inadequate for the reasons for which it was purchased;
- f. carelessly and negligently designing, manufacturing, testing, inspecting, assembling, marketing, selling, distributing and/or placing into the stream of commerce the subject laptop that had unreasonably dangerous components that caused the product to catastrophically fail and/or malfunction;
- g. carelessly and negligently designing, manufacturing, testing, inspecting, assembling, marketing, selling, distributing and/or placing into the stream of commerce a dangerous and defective laptop that Defendant knew, or reasonably should have known, exposed users to an unreasonable risk of harm;
- h. carelessly and negligently failing to properly and adequately design, manufacture, test, inspect, assemble, market, sell, distribute the subject laptop prior to introducing the product into the stream of commerce;
- i. carelessly and negligently failing to provide adequate and sufficient warnings and instructions with respect to the product, which rendered it defective and unreasonably dangerous;
- j. carelessly and negligently designing, manufacturing, assembling, testing, inspecting, marketing, branding, distributing, selling and placing into the stream of commerce the subject laptop which was unreasonably dangerous, causing it to catastrophically fail and/or malfunction:
- k. carelessly and negligently designing, manufacturing, assembling, testing, inspecting, marketing, branding, distributing, selling and placing into the stream of commerce an unreasonably dangerous and defective laptop that Defendants knew or reasonably should have known exposed users to an unreasonable risk of harm;
- l. carelessly and negligently failing to properly and adequately design, manufacture, assemble, test, inspect, market, brand,

- distribute and sell the subject laptop prior to introducing it into the stream of commerce;
- m. carelessly and negligently failing to provide adequate and sufficient warnings and instructions with respect to the subject laptop;
- n. carelessly and negligently designing, manufacturing, assembling, testing, inspecting, marketing, branding, distributing, selling and placing into the stream of commerce the subject laptop because it failed rendering it hazardous and dangerous for its contemplated and intended use;
- o. carelessly and negligently designing, manufacturing, assembling, testing, inspecting, marketing, branding, distributing, selling and placing into the stream of commerce the subject laptop because it failed or malfunctioned in a catastrophic fire condition;
- p. carelessly and negligently designing, manufacturing, assembling, testing, inspecting, marketing, branding, distributing, selling and placing into the stream of commerce the subject laptop because it could ignite under normal and foreseeable operation causing heat and fire to property and person;
- q. carelessly and negligently designing, manufacturing, assembling, testing, inspecting, marketing, branding, distributing, selling and placing into the stream of commerce the subject laptop in a manner that its lithium ion battery was subject to degradation through selfdischarge;
- r. carelessly and negligently designing, manufacturing, assembling, testing, inspecting, marketing, branding, distributing, selling and placing into the stream of commerce the subject laptop in a manner that its lithium ion battery was subject to short circuits;
- s. carelessly and negligently designing, manufacturing, assembling, testing, inspecting, marketing, branding, distributing, selling and placing into the stream of commerce the subject laptop in a manner that its lithium ion battery was subject to electrical short or circuit failure;
- t. carelessly and negligently designing, manufacturing, assembling, testing, inspecting, marketing, branding, distributing, selling and placing into the stream of commerce the subject laptop in a manner that its lithium ion battery was subject to thermal runaway;

- u. carelessly and negligently designing, manufacturing, assembling, testing, inspecting, marketing, branding, distributing, selling and placing into the stream of commerce the subject laptop in a manner that it could not recognize the weak battery and trigger a shut down of the computer before thermal runaway could occur;
- v. carelessly and negligently failing to adequately inform and warn purchasers and ultimate users of the laptop's high propensity for instability to produce heat, ignite, explode and/or cause fires;
- w. carelessly and negligently designing, manufacturing, assembling, testing, inspecting, marketing, branding, distributing, selling and placing into the stream of commerce a product which lacked all necessary safety features to protect users of said product;
- x. carelessly and negligently failing to issue any post-sale modifications or additional warnings in an effort to eliminate the unreasonably dangerous nature of the laptop; and
- y. carelessly and negligently designing, manufacturing, assembling, testing, inspecting, marketing, branding, distributing, selling and placing into the stream of commerce the subject laptop with dangerous and hazardous defects in its lithium ion battery, electrical circuitry, wiring, plug and/or other components of the laptop.
- 57. Defendants negligence and carelessness in designing, manufacturing, assembling, testing, inspecting, marketing, branding, distributing, selling and placing into the stream of commerce the subject laptop were the direct and proximate cause of Plaintiff, Jordan E. McCoy's and Plaintiff Decedents, Lynn Smith-Highland's and Thomas R. Highland's, severe and permanent injuries and damages, as previously set forth herein.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment in her favor and against Defendants, HP Inc. (formerly Hewlett-Packard Co.), Agilent HP, Inc., PenTeleData Limited Partnership and PenTeleData, Inc., jointly and severally, for compensatory damages in a sum in excess of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00), exclusive of punitive damages, pre-

judgment interest, post-judgment interest and costs, and for such other relief as this Honorable Court shall deem appropriate under the circumstances.

COUNT III – BREACH OF EXPRESS WARRANTIES Plaintiff v. Defendants

- 58. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the preceding averments as though set forth at length herein.
- 59. Defendants expressly warranted that the subject laptop was safe and effective to members of the consuming public, including Plaintiff.
- 60. More specifically, Defendants expressly warranted that the subject laptop was compliant with the applicable product safety standards.
- 61. The subject laptop does not conform to these express representations because it was prone to produce heat, ignite and/or explode causing fire.
- 62. Defendants breached any and all express warranties made or relating to the product that became a part of the basis of the bargain for sale of the product in violation of Pa. C.S.A. 2-313.
- 63. Defendants have better access to all written forms of said warranties and therefore is not prejudices by Plaintiff's inability to attach them hereto.
- 64. Therefore, Defendants breached its express warranties to the consuming public, including, but not limited to, Plaintiff.
- 65. As a direct and proximate result of the Defendants' breach of express warranties, Lynn Smith-Highland and Thomas R. Highland suffered death, injuries and damages set forth herein, entitling them to damages.
- 66. Plaintiff has met all and any conditions precedent to recover for such breaches.

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WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment in her favor and against Defendants, HP Inc. (formerly Hewlett-Packard Co.), Agilent HP, Inc., PenTeleData Limited Partnership and PenTeleData, Inc., jointly and severally, for statutory and compensatory damages in a sum in excess of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00), exclusive of punitive damages, pre-judgment interest, post-judgment interest and costs, and for such other relief as this Honorable Court shall deem appropriate under the circumstances.

COUNT IV – BREACH OF IMPLIED WARRANTIES Plaintiff v. Defendants

- 67. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the preceding averments as though set forth at length herein.
- 68. Defendants designed, manufactured, assembled, tested, marketed, branded, distributed, sold and placed into the stream of commerce the subject laptop with an implied warranty that it was fit for the particular purpose of operating safely, knowing that consumers would rely on their skill and/or judgment to furnish suitable goods.
- 69. Members of the consuming public, including consumers such as Plaintiff, was the intended third-party beneficiaries of the warranty.
- 70. The subject laptop was not fit for the particular purpose as a safe means for normal, ordinary and foreseeable use, due to the unreasonable risks of bodily injury and death associated with its use.
- 71. Plaintiff in this case reasonably and justifiably relied on Defendants' representations that the subject laptop was safe to put to normal, ordinary and foreseeable use.
- 72. In light of the negligence, breaches, failures and harms alleged herein, Defendants breached the implied warranty of fitness for a particular purpose as set for in

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the Uniform Commercial Code at 13 Pa. C.S.A. 2-315 in that the product was not fit for its particular purpose for which such products are required under normal conditions.

- 73. In addition, Defendants breached the implied warranty of merchantability as set out in 13 Pa. C.S.A. 2-314 (c) in that the product was not fit for the ordinary uses which the product was used.
- 74. Plaintiff's damages as set forth above occurred as a direct and proximate result of Defendants breach of its implied warranties of fitness for a particular purpose and merchantability as set out in 13 Pa. C.S.A. 2-315 and 2-314.
- 75. Plaintiff has met all and any conditions precedent to recover for such breaches.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment in her favor and against Defendants, HP Inc. (formerly Hewlett-Packard Co.), Agilent HP, Inc., PenTeleData Limited Partnership and PenTeleData, Inc., jointly and severally, for compensatory damages in a sum in excess of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$50,000.00), exclusive of pre-judgment interest, post-judgment interest and costs and for such other relief as this Honorable Court shall deem appropriate under the circumstances.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION – WRONGFUL DEATH (LYNN SMITH-HIGHLAND) Plaintiff v. Defendants

- 76. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the preceding averments as though set forth at length herein.
- 77. Plaintiff brings this action under and by virtue of the Wrongful Death Act, 42 Pa. C.S.A. §8301, and the applicable Rules of Civil Procedure and decisional law.

- 78. Under the Wrongful Death Act, Lynn Smith-Highland left surviving the following persons who may be entitled to recover damages: Jordan E. McCoy, daughter.
- 79. As a result of the negligence of Defendants set forth herein, Lynn Smith-Highland was caused serious and grave injuries including death, resulting in an entitlement to damages by said beneficiaries under the Wrongful Death Act.
- 80. Plaintiff, as the Administratrix of the Estate of Lynn Smith-Highland, claims the full measure of damages recoverable under the Wrongful Death Act, including, but not limited to, damages for medical, hospital, funeral and burial expenses and expenses of administration necessitated by reason of injuries causing Lynn Smith-Highland's death, damages for monetary support that Lynn Smith-Highland would have provided to the beneficiaries during her lifetime, damages for services provided or which could have been expected to have been performed in the future by Lynn Smith-Highland, and damages for the value of the Lynn Smith-Highland's life and loss of companionship, comfort, society, guidance, solace, and protection, and also damages for the emotional and psychological losses suffered by the beneficiaries named herein.
- 81. On behalf of the Wrongful Death Act beneficiary, Plaintiff claims damages for all pecuniary loss and expenses suffered by the beneficiary.
- 82. On behalf of the Wrongful Death Act beneficiary, Plaintiff claims the full measure of damages allowed under the Wrongful Death Act and the decisional law interpreting said Act.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment in her favor and against Defendants, HP Inc. (formerly Hewlett-Packard Co.), Agilent HP, Inc., PenTeleData Limited Partnership and PenTeleData, Inc., jointly and severally, for statutory and compensatory

damages in a sum in excess of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00), exclusive of punitive damages, pre-judgment interest, post-judgment interest and costs, and for such other relief as this Honorable Court shall deem appropriate under the circumstances.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION – SURVIVAL ACTION (LYNN SMITH-HIGHLAND) Plaintiff v. Defendants

- 83. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the preceding averments as though set forth at length herein.
- 84. Plaintiff brings this Survival Action on behalf of the Estate of Lynn Smith-Highland, under and by virtue of 42 Pa. C.S.A. §8302, and the applicable Rules of Civil Procedure and decisional law.
- 85. The persons entitled to the Estate of Lynn Smith-Highland are as follows: Jordan E. McCoy, daughter.
- 86. As a result of the negligence of Defendants, as set forth above, Lynn Smith-Highland was caused serious and grave injuries including death resulting in the entitlement to damages under the Survival Act.
- 87. On behalf of the Survival Act beneficiaries, the Administratrix claims all damages available under the Survival Act, including damages for loss of earnings and economic loss to Lynn Smith-Highland's estates, damages for medical expenses, damages for the loss of life's pleasures, damages for all loss of income, retirement, and Social Security income as a result of Lynn Smith-Highland's death, damages for the pain, suffering, and inconvenience endured by Lynn Smith-Highland prior to her death, including but not limited to, physical pain and suffering, mental pain and suffering, and

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the fright and mental suffering attributed to the peril leading to Lynn Smith-Highland's death.

88. Plaintiff claims the full measure of damages under the Survival Act and decisional law interpreting said Act.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment in her favor and against Defendants, HP Inc. (formerly Hewlett-Packard Co.), Agilent HP, Inc., PenTeleData Limited Partnership and PenTeleData, Inc., jointly and severally, for compensatory damages in a sum in excess of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$50,000.00), exclusive of pre-judgment interest, post-judgment interest and costs and for such other relief as this Honorable Court shall deem appropriate under the circumstances.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION – WRONGFUL DEATH (THOMAS R. HIGHLAND) Plaintiff v. Defendants

- 89. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the preceding averments as though set forth at length herein.
- 90. Plaintiff brings this action under and by virtue of the Wrongful Death Act, 42 Pa. C.S.A. §8301, and the applicable Rules of Civil Procedure and decisional law.
- 91. Under the Wrongful Death Act, Thomas R. Highland left surviving the following persons who may be entitled to recover damages: Jordan E. McCoy, daughter.
- 92. As a result of the negligence of Defendants set forth herein, Thomas R. Highland, was caused serious and grave injuries including death, resulting in an entitlement to damages by said beneficiaries under the Wrongful Death Act.
- 93. Plaintiff, as the Executrix of the Estate of Thomas R. Highland, claims the full measure of damages recoverable under the Wrongful Death Act, including, but not

limited to, damages for medical, hospital, funeral and burial expenses and expenses of administration necessitated by reason of injuries causing Thomas R. Highland's death, damages for monetary support that Thomas R. Highland would have provided to the beneficiaries during his lifetime, damages for services provided or which could have been expected to have been performed in the future by Thomas R. Highland, and damages for the value of the Thomas R. Highland's life and loss of companionship, comfort, society, guidance, solace, and protection, and also damages for the emotional and psychological losses suffered by the beneficiaries named herein.

- 94. On behalf of the Wrongful Death Act beneficiary, Plaintiff claims damages for all pecuniary loss and expenses suffered by the beneficiary.
- 95. On behalf of the Wrongful Death Act beneficiary, Plaintiff claims the full measure of damages allowed under the Wrongful Death Act and the decisional law interpreting said Act.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment in her favor and against Defendants, HP Inc. (formerly Hewlett-Packard Co.), Agilent HP, Inc., PenTeleData Limited Partnership and PenTeleData, Inc., jointly and severally, for statutory and compensatory damages in a sum in excess of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00), exclusive of punitive damages, pre-judgment interest, post-judgment interest and costs, and for such other relief as this Honorable Court shall deem appropriate under the circumstances.

FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION – SURVIVAL ACTION (THOMAS R. HIGHLAND) Plaintiff v. Defendants

96. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the preceding averments as though set forth at length herein.

- 97. Plaintiff brings this Survival Action on behalf of the Estate of Thomas R. Highland under and by virtue of 42 Pa. C.S.A. §8302, and the applicable Rules of Civil Procedure and decisional law.
- 98. The persons entitled to the Estate of Thomas R. Highland, deceased, are as follows: Jordan E. McCoy, daughter.
- 99. As a result of the negligence of Defendants, as set forth above, Thomas R. Highland was caused serious and grave injuries including death resulting in the entitlement to damages under the Survival Act.
- 100. On behalf of the Survival Act beneficiaries, the Executrix claims all damages available under the Survival Act, including damages for loss of earnings and economic loss to Thomas R. Highland's estate, damages for medical expenses, damages for the loss of life's pleasures, damages for all loss of income, retirement, and Social Security income as a result of Thomas R. Highland's death, damages for the pain, suffering, and inconvenience endured by Thomas R. Highland prior to his death, including but not limited to, physical pain and suffering, mental pain and suffering, and the fright and mental suffering attributed to the peril leading to Thomas R. Highland's death.
- 101. Plaintiff claims the full measure of damages under the Survival Act and decisional law interpreting said Act.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment in her favor and against Defendants, HP Inc. (formerly Hewlett-Packard Co.), Agilent HP, Inc., PenTeleData Limited Partnership and PenTeleData, Inc., jointly and severally, for statutory and compensatory damages in a sum in excess of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00), exclusive of punitive

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I, Jordan E. McCoy, individually and as the Administratrix of the Estate of Lynn Smith-Highland, deceased, and as the Executrix of the Estate of Thomas R. Highland, deceased hereby state that I do hereby verify that the statements made in the foregoing pleading are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. The undersigned understands that the statements therein are made subject to penalties of 18 Pa.C.S. § 4904 relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

Jordan E. McCoy

Dated: May 25, 2023

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U.S. District Court — Judicial Caseload Profile

PENNSYLVANIA	EASTERN	1				12-Mo	nth Per	iods Ending	9		Ţ			
_			·	Mar 31 2018	Mar 3 2019		ar 31 020	Mar 31 2021	Mar 31 2022	Mar 31 2023	•		nerical nding	
		Filings	S ¹	7,939	7,8	878	8,422	7,457	6,674	6,730			ithin	
Overall		Termina	tions	8,197	7,	586	7,239	6,352	7,058	8,161		U.S.	Circuit	
Caseload		Pendi	ng	7,396	7,	704	8,924	10,018	9,592	8,169				
Statistics	Fili	ent Chang ngs Curre ever Earlie		-15.2	-1	4.6	-20.1	-9.7	0.8			52	1	
		Numbe	r of Judgeships	22		22	22	22	22	22				
	Va	cant Jud	geship Months 2	54.0	5	6.8	53.0	25.5	57.9	51.0				
			Total	361	;	358	383	339	303	306		77	5	
			Civil	314	;	313	341	315	272	277		48	5	
Actions per Judgeship	Filir	ngs	Criminal Felony	30		33	33	19	21	21		94	6	
				Supervised Release Hearings	16		12	10	5	10	8		86	4
	Р	Pending Cases ²			;	350	406	455	436	371		63	6	
	W	eighted F	ilings ²	314	;	305	329	304	287	271		81	5	
		Terminations			;	345	329	289	321	371		70	4	
	Т	rials Com	pleted	9		6	9	2	6	7		90	5	
	From F		Criminal Felony	14.9	1	4.2	13.9	16.9	21.9	22.6		88	5	
Median Time (Months)	Dispos	SILIOII	Civil ²	5.8		5.8	5.8	6.1	6.7	8.5		27	3	
, ,	Fro	om Filing (Civil O		21.2	2	21.7	19.7	-	24.9	23.5		6	1	
		lumber (a of Civil C ver 3 Yea	ases	1,082 17.7		120 7.7	1,514 20.1	1,532 17.7	1,940 23.5	2,025 29.2		84	4	
Other	of F	verage N elony De Filed per	fendants	1.3		1.3	1.3	1.2	1.3	1.2				
Cuio		Avg. Pres Jury Sele		60.6	6	51.2	55.5	65.0	53.4	59.7				
	Jurors Percent Selected Challeng		or	44.5	4	3.8	39.1	35.0	44.9	44.7				
		2023	Civil Case and	I Criminal F	elony D	efendan	t Filings	by Nature	of Suit and	Offense				
Type of	Total	А	В	С	D	E	F	G	Н	ı	J	K	L	
Civil	6,08	84	180 408	1,023	4	60) 3	368 78	825	253	1,341	8	827	

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PENNSYLVANIA MIDDLE					12	2-Month Per	riods Ending	9			
				Mar 31 2018	Mar 31 2019	Mar 31 2020	Mar 31 2021	Mar 31 2022	Mar 31 2023		ımerical tanding
		Filings	S ¹	3,251	3,035	2,817	3,122	2,747	2,757		Within
Overall		Terminat	tions	3,111	3,031	3,090	2,860	2,902	2,955	U.S.	Circuit
Caseload		Pending			3,987	3,708	3,981	3,864	3,679		
Statistics	Percent Change in Total Filings Current Year Over Earlier Year			-15.2	-9.2	-2.1	-11.7	0.4		55	2
		Numbe	r of Judgeships	6	6	6	6	6	6		
	V	acant Judo	geship Months 2	0.0	5.6	7.2	0.0	0.0	12.0		
			Total	542	506	470	520	458	460	42	2
			Civil	434	396	386	437	356	369	32	3
Actions per Judgeship	Fili	ngs	Criminal Felony	88	88	69	71	83	73	45	1
			Supervised Release Hearings	20	21	15	13	20	18	75	1
	I	Pending Cases ²			665	618	664	644	613	22	3
	V	Weighted Filings ²			452	417	461	437	418	42	3
		Terminations			505	515	477	484	493	36	3
	-	Trials Com	pleted	28	25	19	17	28	26	15	1
		Filing to	Criminal Felony	14.5	14.5	16.8	23.3	23.0	20.2	81	3
Median Time (Months)	Dispo	JSILIOIT	Civil ²	9.9	9.8	11.3	10.0	11.0	12.0	76	5
	Fr	om Filing to (Civil O		34.8	34.9	37.2	-	41.1	-	-	-
		Number (and %) of Civil Cases Over 3 Years Old ²			239 8.3	271 10.1	297 10.3	274 10.4	281 11.3	49	2
Other		Average Number of Felony Defendants Filed per Case			1.3	1.3	1.5	1.4	1.4		
		Avg. Pres Jury Sele		52.0	51.9	48.8	55.1	47.0	63.1		
	Jurors	Jurors Percent Not Selected or Challenged			39.6	38.5	34.6	33.4	39.8		
		2023	Civil Case and	Criminal F	elony Defen	dant Filings	s by Nature	of Suit and	Offense		

	2023 Civil Case and Criminal Felony Defendant Filings by Nature of Suit and Offense												
Type of	Total	Α	В	С	D	E	F	G	Н	I	J	К	L
Civil	2,212	167	22	924	4	19	63	146	199	34	472	1	161
Criminal 1	435	3	186	46	60	68	15	26	6	2	5	1	17

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PENNSYLVANIA	WESTEDI	Í		0.0	7								
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				Mar 31 2018	Mar 31 2019		ar 31 2020	Mar 31 2021	Mar 31 2022	Mar 31 2023			nerical nding
		Filings ¹			3,3	98	3,512	3,870	3,692	3,436			ithin
Overall		Terminat	tions	3,185	3,3	45	3,229	3,258	3,504	3,552		U.S.	Circuit
Caseload		Pendir	ng	2,795	2,8	43	3,117	3,744	3,917	3,770			
Statistics	Fili	Percent Change in Total Filings Current Year Over Earlier Year				1.1	-2.2	-11.2	-6.9			79	3
		Numbe	r of Judgeships	10		10	10	10	10	10			
	Va	cant Jud	geship Months 2	55.1	65	5.9	42.4	9.1	0.0	0.0			
			Total	332	3	40	351	387	369	344		71	4
	Filings		Civil	259	2	:68	272	301	290	288		47	4
Actions per Judgeship		Filings	Criminal Felony	56		56	63	78	72	41		76	3
				Supervised Release Hearings	17		16	17	8	7	15		80
	F	Pending Cases ²			2	84	312	374	392	377		61	5
	W	Weighted Filings ²			3	01	326	383	351	302		74	4
		Terminations			3	35	323	326	350	355		73	5
	Т	rials Com	pleted	19		20	26	12	17	22		24	3
	From F		Criminal Felony	16.1	15	5.0	15.0	16.8	18.6	22.3		87	4
Median Time (Months)	Dispo	SILIOIT	Civil ²	6.1	(6.2	6.0	5.6	6.7	6.6		11	1
, , ,	Fro	om Filing to (Civil O		33.5	32	2.4	33.2	-	44.5	33.3		27	2
		lumber (a of Civil Ca ver 3 Yea	ases	52 2.7	;	57 3.0	56 2.8	80 3.5	109 4.4	125 4.7		9	1
Other	of F	verage N elony Det Filed per	fendants	1.4	,	1.3	1.5	1.7	1.6	1.4			
Calei			Avg. Present for Jury Selection		50	3.1	57.7	0	53.8	72.3			
		Percent N Selected Challenge	or	39.7	4	1.8	44.0	0	43.9	59.8			
		2023	Civil Case and	l Criminal F	elony De	fendan	t Filing	s by Nature	of Suit and	Offense			
Type of	Total	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G	Н	ı	J	K	L

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